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The reply filed on 7/28/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

The amendment to claim 1, line 10 includes a handwritten amendment which does not appear in any previous version. Amendments adding text to a claim must present the text as underlined (37 CFR 1.21 (c) (2)) and must be typed (37 CFR 1.52(a)(iv)). Correction is required.

In order to avoid any further delays in examination, applicant is requested to limit any modifications to only those cited herein. This should permit examination on the merits in the next action.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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